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Rosa Parks, Road Designation Ceremony

Ocala, FI -- State Representative Charles "Chuck" Chestnut (D-23), in conjunction with the Florida Department of Transportation will host a Road Designation Ceremony in honor of the late Mrs. Rosa Parks for her diligent fight for civil rights.

Legislation passed during the 2006 Legislative Session designated a portion of US Highway 301, within Alachua, Bradford and Marion counties as the Rosa Parks Memorial Highway to commemorate the life and dedication of the woman often called the "Mother of the Modern-Day Civil Rights Movement." "Mrs. Parks is quoted as saying, "Memories of our lives, of our works and our deeds will continue in others", and this is a tangible way for the citizens of the State of Florida to remember the works and deeds of her life", said Chestnut.

The ceremony will be held Tuesday, January 30th at 9:00am in Ocala, FI at US Hwy 301/441 and NW 8th Street (about ½ mile north of SR 40) on the northbound side of the road.